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SAUDI ARMED FORCES MODERNIZATION PROGRAM

1. WE ARE POUCHING A DOD DRAFT OF A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WHICH WOULD COVER THE SAUDI ARMED FORCES MODERNIZATION PROGRAMS OUTLINED IN THE DOD SURVEYS WHICH YOU HAVE PRESENTED TO MODA. PURPOSE OF THE MEMORANDUM WOULD BE TO RESTATE THE OVERALL POLICY OF COOPERATION OF THE TWO GOVERNMENTS IN THE DEFENSE FIELD, TO OUTLINE RESPONSIBILITIES OF EACH PARTY, AND TO DEFINE PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES OF USG PERSONNEL AND DEPENDENTS, MILITARY AND CIVILIAN, WHO WOULD BE IN SAUDI ARABIA IN CONNECTION WITH THE MODERNIZATION PROGRAM. MEMORANDUM IS GENERALLY SIMILAR TO THOSE WE HAVE CONCLUDED ON THE SNEP AND NATIONAL GUARD PROGRAMS. DOD HOPES BE ABLE DISCUSS PROPOSED MOU AT UPCOMING SECURITY COMMISSION MEETING; WE AND DEFENSE ARE DISCUSSING PROS AND CONS OF PROPOSING THIS KIND OF NEGOTIATION TO SAG AT THIS TIME BUT HAVE NOT REACHED FINAL DECISION.

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2. REQUEST EMBASSY REVIEW DRAFT, WITHOUT AT THIS POINT

DISCUSSING WITH SAG, AND PROVIDE COMMENTS ASAP, BEARING
PARTICULARLY IN MIND POSSIBLE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THIS
TYPE OF UMBRELLA AGREEMENT AND PROBLEMS OUTLINED JIDDA
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